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DX News

DX-World and DXPT partnership

Have you ever heard of **DXPT – DX Pediton Trophy** ? Maybe you are already a participant within DXPT?

As of this evening, DX-World and DXPT have struck up a partnership that will continue for many months. It makes sense for a prime DX news outlet such as DX-World to work in tandem with an innovative concept such as DXPT.

The DXPT motto is: "**You are a lover of DX and go crazy for the Dx Pediton... you just have to participate in the DXPT**"

We echo this statement and simply ask – what are you waiting for? Become a DXPT participant (it costs nothing) and join the cream of DXers already participating.



Short film featuring Ham Radio

Here is a short film where amateur radio plays a big part...while there are a number of small cringeworthy areas.. they didn't do too bad overall..

<https://www.dx-world.net/short-film-featuring-ham-radio/>

DX-World Quiz #17

On a recent survey, over 80% wanted to see a new DX-World Quiz. So here it is, and for good measure, the pass mark has been lowered to a meagre 60%. Good luck !

<https://www.dx-world.net/dx-world-quiz-17/>

Ham radio in Falkland Islands

A short report by FITV about ham radio activities on the Falkland Islands. VP8EME, VP8LP and VP8NE have starring roles!

<https://www.dx-world.net/ham-radio-in-falkland-islands/>

More about the Falkland licensing:

You may be aware that there have recently been some amateur radio licencing difficulties experienced in the Falkland Islands due to new communications legislation being implemented. This involved all previous and existing VP8 licences issued under the old Falkland Islands Wireless Telegraphy Act being revoked *en masse* in early 2020. This included all existing VP8 Antarctic and South Georgia licences, resulting in no legal amateur radio operation in these Overseas Territories being permitted using a VP8 callsign. Licences were then revalidated and re-issued under the new Falkland Islands Communications Ordinance on a case-by-case basis for use in the Falkland Islands only.

<https://www.dx-world.net/open-letter-vp8-amateur-radio-licensing/>

DX-World DXpedition Gallery

The DX-World database has gigabytes of pictures. Thousands upon thousands of DXpedition images mostly sent to us over the years. They are usually shown once then forgotten about. So, we decided to trawl through some of these pictures as they are mostly all unique and for DX-World readership.

Basically, if we start at 2016 and periodically make DXpedition galleries for 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, then hopefully you will be happy to reminisce or remember making QSOs with some of these stations. Most, if not all, of these images have only ever been found on DX-World.

<https://www.dx-world.net/dx-world-dxpdition-gallery-2016/>

<https://www.dx-world.net/dx-world-dxpdition-gallery-2017-january-march/>

This week on air

This can change daily, please visit <https://www.dx-world.net/> for updates.

3W, VIETNAM Sebastian, SP5FAR is operating as 3W9FAR from Da Nang. Activity until March. QSL via home call.

5U, NIGER Adrian, F4IHM is once again active as 5UAIHM until February 11. Operation on 40 and 20 meter using CW. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

5V, TOGO Daniel, HB9EHD is QRV as 5VDE during February. He supports the doctors at the university hospital in Kara. He is operating during his spare time on 40 meter and 20 meter using FT8 and OQ-100 for SSB. All QSO will be confirmed by LoTW. See QRZ.com.

8Q, MALDIVES Michael, HB9WDF is active in 'holiday-style' as 8Q7AO until February 7. This will be a QO-100 operation. QSL via LoTW, Club Log and home call.

HK, COLOMBIA Lothar, DK8LRF extends his stay due to Covid until end April. QRV as HK3JCL. QSL via home call.

JW, SVALBARD Erling, LB2PG is QRV as JW/call from Bear Island until June 1. Activity during his spare time from 80 to 20 meter using SSB. QSL via home call.

JX, JAN MAYEN Erik LA2US is active as JX2US until April. He operates CW, FT8 and probably some more modes. Focus on 160m, 80m, 40m and 30m.

KH9, WAKE ISL Tom, NL7RR will be back on Wake island starting mid-February for about 90 days. Operation during his spare time on 40 and 20 meter using SSB.

ZC4, UK SOVEREIGN BASE Garry, 2M1DHG is active for at least 2 years as ZC4GR. Activity on HF using SSB and digital modes such as FT8, SSTV, PSK31, WSPR mostly between 17 and 19 UTC "a few nights a week". QSL via EB7DX.

ZD8, ASCENSION ISL Tev, TA1HZ will be active as ZD8HZ throughout 2021. He will use 100w to a windom wire antenna. Operation during his spare time.

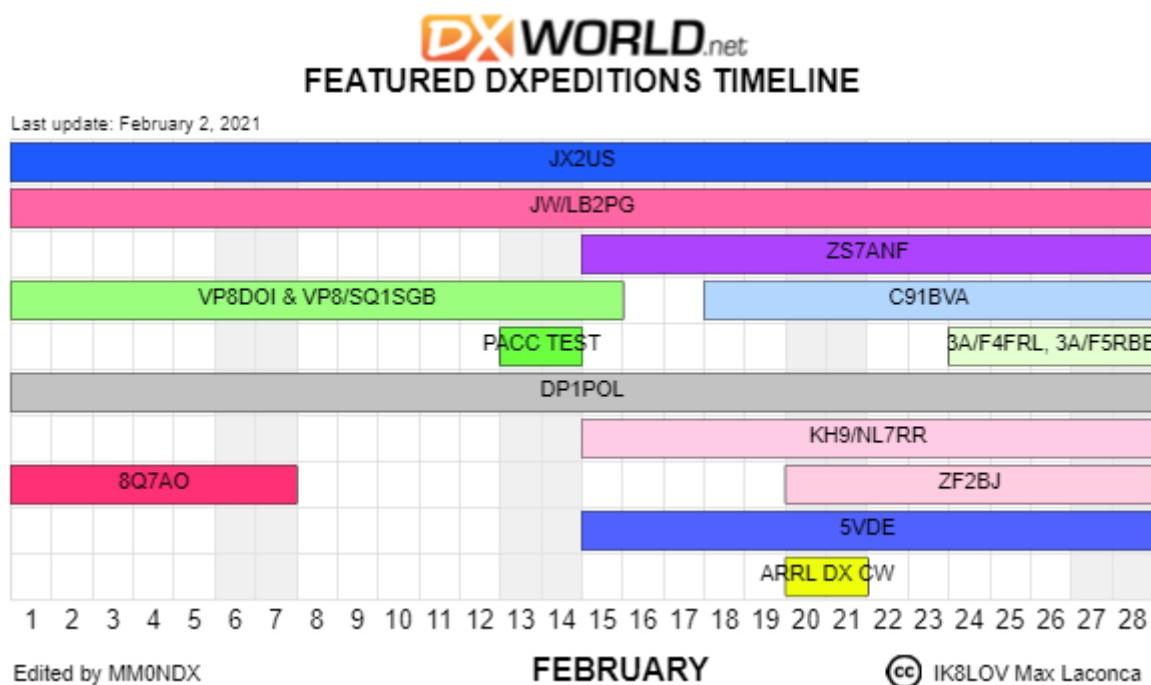
<https://www.qrz.com/db/ZD8HZ>

Coming up

C9, MOZAMBIQUE Bruno, CS7AMN will be active as C91BVA starting from February 18. Operation on HF bands, SSB and digi. QSL via home call, LoTW.

P4, ARUBA John, W2GD will be active as P44W during the ARRL DX CW Contest (Febr 20-21). Operation before and after the contest as P40W. QSL via N2MM and LoTW.

DXCC timeline



On the scene

Inside Market Reef Lighthouse by Col, MM0NDX

The living room



The kitchen



Looking down



The lighthouse light



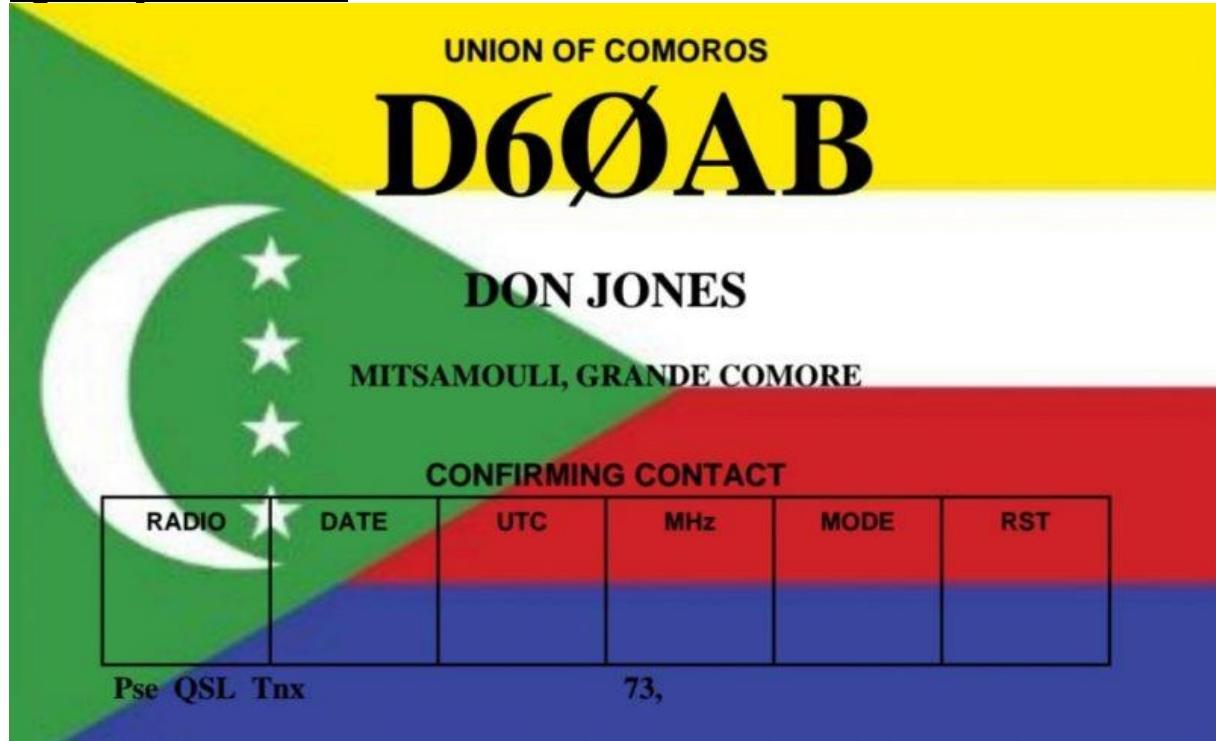
IOTA

This week on air

EUROPE

EU-012 Shetland Gareth, M0MOL is active as call/P during February and March. QRV in QRP mainly in the evenings.

QSL preview



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announced DX

THE NEWCOMERS

JD1, OGASAWARA Takio, JH3QFL will be operating as JD1BQA between May 1 and May 7. Activity on 160, 80, 40 and 6 meter using FT4/8 and satellite RS-44 on CW. QSL via home call.

PJ2, CURACAO Andy, DK5ON will be operating as PJ2/call from March 4 until March 23. Activity from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, LoTW, Club Log OQRS.

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3A, MONACO Mireille F4FRL and Patrice F5RBB will be operating as 3A/calls from February 24 until March 2. QRV from 40 to 20 meter using SSB and digi. QSL via LoTW.

5H, TANZANIA Sergey, UT9UU will be operating as 5H3UU from Dar Es Salaam during early August. QSL via home call, LoTW.

5H, TANZANIA Roman, RA/3W3RR (ex-9Q9RR) has announced plans to be active from Zanzibar island, AF-032. Currently no set dates as to when 5H1RR activity may happen due to COVID-19. More info to follow in due course..

5T, MAURITANIA Tom, DL7BO has plans to be active as 5T7OO soon and staying there for a long period. More info to follow. QSL via DJ6TF.

8Q, MALDIVES Nobby, G0VJG will be active as 8Q7CQ (pending) from the Reethi Faru resort between March 6 and March 22. Activity from 80 to 10 meter using SSB and digi. QSL via M0OXO.

A3, TONGA Stan LZ1GC and Ivan LZ1PM will be operating as A35GC somewhere in 2021. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8. Logs uploaded during the DXpedition to Club Log. QSL via LZ1GC OQRS, direct or bureau.

CE0Y, EASTER ISLAND The Polish DXpedition Team with Jan SP3CYY, Jurek SP3GEM, Wlodek SP6EQZ, Janusz SP6IXF, Roman SP9FOW and Piotr SP9RCL will be active somewhere during 2021 as XR0YSP. Plans are to be QRV with 3 stations from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8.

CY0, SABLE ISL Permission for a DXpedition has been authorized with the team: WA2DAN, N2IEN, K5DHY, K5YY, K4UEE, WW2DX, AA4NC, N8AA, N2TU. The CY0C Sable Island DXpedition team will be active somewhere October 2021.

<http://cy0dxpedition.net/index.html>

E6, NIUE Stan LZ1GC and Ivan LZ1PM will be operating as E6AM during October-November. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8. Logs uploaded during the DXpedition to Club Log. QSL via LZ1GC OQRS, direct or bureau.

FG, GUADELOUPE Phillippe, F1DUZ will be active as FG4KH from March 16 until April 1. An entry in the CQWW WPX SSB contest is included. QSL via home call.

FP, ST PIERRE & MIQUELON Chris, VO1CH updates DX-World that due to Covid-19, the TO5T DXpedition to St Pierre & Miquelon has been postponed until August 8-16. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. <http://www.to5t.com/>

FP, ST PIERRE & MIQUELON Eric, KV1J will once again be active as FP/call between June 29 and July 13. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call, LoTW. <http://www.kv1j.com/fp/July20.html>

FW, WALLIS & FUTUNA Tom, KH0/KC0W informs: due to Covid this trip will be postponed. As soon the situation changes Tom will let us know when he departs Saipan.

HC8, GALAPAGOS ISL A DXfriends DXpedition will take place to San Cristobal. QSL via EA5RM. More to follow.

J8, GRENADINES Brian, GW4DVB will be operating as J88PI between July 23 and August 1. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call.

<https://www.g4dwb.co.uk/dxpedition-2017>

JD1, OGASAWARA Koji, JE3GRQ has not yet concrete plans but will be operating as JD1BQI somewhere in 2021. This will be a 6 meter EME operation. More to follow.

KH4, MIDWAY ISL Ron, KH6DV announces a trip to Midway during September 2021 for about 2 weeks (if the COVID 19 is under control). Midway Atoll is #14 on the Clublog most wanted list and has not been active for some time. The aircraft used for the logistics flights has been downsized and visitors are no longer allowed to fly to the island. Operators interested in joining the expedition should be prepared to undertake a 6.75 day ocean voyage. The vessel DXpedition veteran A/S Machias can be seen on my QRZ page KH6DV. The vessel will provide all power (2 x 27KW generators and air conditioned sleeping, operating and galley areas.)

More to follow.

KH8, SWAINS ISL Due to the Covid-19 pandemic it is still impossible to travel to Swains Island. This means that we have to postpone our DXpedition until Spring 2021 at the earliest. Alex Jennings (owner of island) and the team will start planning again as soon as we are allowed to travel to American Samoa without restrictions (such as 14 days in quarantine).

OJ0, MARKET REEF Joseph, AD7D will be operating as OJ0D during the summer 2021. Dates not yet confirmed. More to follow.

PJ5, SINT EUSTATIUS John, W5JON will be active as PJ5/call between June 22-28. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL direct or LoTW.

PJ7, SINT MAARTEN Tom, AA9A will once again be active as PJ7AA from February 27 until March 27. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via LoTW and Club Log.

PZ, SURINAME Markus, DJ4EL informs: Due to the rising Covid-19 cases in Europe tourists who would like to visit Suriname must bring a negative Covid-19 test and are required to be quarantined for 10 days after arrival. The second problem is that on the way back to Germany I would have to travel via Amsterdam airport which could make another Covid-19 test and another quarantine at home necessary. New dates: PZ5GE, Easter 2021. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using SSB. QSL via home call, LoTW.

TT, CHAD The Italian DXpedition Team will be active as TT8RR (CW, SSB and RTTY) and as TT8XX (FT8) somewhere during 2021 from Ndjamena. Nine operators (I1FQH, I1HJT, I2PJA, I2YSB, IK2CIO, IK2CKR, IK2DIA, IK2HKT and IK2RZP) will be active with four stations on all bands. QSL via I2YSB (direct only).

<http://www.i2ysb.com/idt/>

V4, ST KITTS John, W5JON will once again be active as V47JA from Calypso Bay between June 12 and July 10. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW or via home call direct.

VK9W, WILLIS ISLAND The 2016/2019 CY9C team, and the upcoming Sable Island DXpedition CY0C team, is pleased to announce our next DXpedition. After the Sable CY0C DXpedition, they will go to Willis Island VK9W in 2021. 8 Operators from those two teams will comprise the 2021 Willis Island DXpedition team. Boat arrangements have already been made. We are currently working with the Australian government for the necessary permits. (WA4DAN). More to follow.

VQ9, DIEGO GARCIA Dates are not confirmed, nor length of activity, but Bob DU7ET could again be active from Diego Garcia as VQ9ET later this year. Update to follow...

XT, BURKINA FASO Max, DK1MAX will once again be active as XT2MAX somewhere during 2021. QSL via EA5GL. More to follow.

XV, VIETNAM Brian, AA5H will be operating as 3W9OK from Da Nang during March – April. Activity will be on HF using FT8 and RTTY. QSL via Club Log OQRS, LoTW or home call.

YN, NICARAGUA Robert, DL7VOA will be QRV from Guacalito de la Isla as YN5AO. Dates are still in planning phase due to COVID. Operation in 'holiday-style' with a focus on the low bands. QSL via Club Log OQRS. <https://www.qrz.com/db/YN5AO>

Z6, KOSOVO A Belgian team will be active somewhere in 2021 from Kosovo. QRV from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via Club Log, OQRS.

ZF, CAYMAN ISL Bruce, K0BJ will be operating as ZF2BJ between February 20 and March 5. Operation mainly on the WARC bands using primarily CW. QSL via LoTW or home call.

Announced IOTA

THE REMINDERS

AFRICA

AF-045 Gore Isl A team with 6W1KI, 6W1PZ, 6W1QL, 6W7JX and others will be operating as 6V1A when the situation is possible. Activity on various bands with 2 stations using CW and SSB. QSL via LoTW.

AF-115 Mukawwar Isl As news of Covid vaccines emerge – with hopefully an improving picture across the world by the middle of next year – plans for this particular island activity will restart after March 2021. Future updates will be posted here.

ASIA

AS-152 Bol'shoy Begichev The Arctic Legends team (RT9K) recently received their RI0Q license with a view to being active from Bol'shoy Begichev AS-152 starting March 4.

EUROPE

EU-111 Monach Isles A team with G0VJG, G2NF, G4TSH, GM0WED, G4FAL and G0FDZ will be active as MM8C during the IOTA 2021 contest period from Ceann Ear. Outside the contest they will be active as GM3RCV.

EU-123 Bass Rock Team MS0INT (EI6FR, MM0NDX, MM0OKG and cameraman) has today been granted permission to land on the Bass Rock (EU-123) and to undertake an IOTA DXpedition there. Tentative date: April 17-18. The Bass Rock has only ever been activated three times (1997, 2001, 2008) according to research. The team is indebted to Deputy Lord Lieutenant, Sir Hew Dalrymple for allowing them to land on his island.

NORTH AMERICA

NA-039 Adak Isl Rob N7QT, Yuri N3QQ and Yuri UA9OBA will be active as KL7RRC from Adak Island during June. Activity on HF using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via N7RO.

NA-070 Kiska Isl Rob N7QT, Yuri N3QQ and Yuri UA9OBA will be active as KL7RRC from Kiska Island during June. Activity on HF using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via N7RO.

NA-041 Shelter Isl Phil, KC3CIB will be operating as call/KL7 during his spare time starting June. When time permits, he will be active on HF using mainly digital modes. QSL via home call, direct.

OCEANIA

OC-037 New Zealand Sub Antarctic Islands (Campbell Island) The Perseverance DX Group (PDXG) has some unfinished business. Several members participated on the 2012 ZL9 activation that was cut short by weather. After their successful VP8PJ South Orkney Islands 2020 DXpedition, PDXG is pleased to announce their intention to activate the New Zealand Sub-Antarctic Islands (ZL9), Campbell Island. Club Log #24 most wanted, in the 2021-2022 time-frame.

The plan includes 160-10m operation, CW/SSB/RTTY/FT8, with emphasis on 160, 80, 60, 40 and propagation dependent, 12 and 10 meters.

The landing permit process is pending and discussions with transportation partners have begun. However, the Covid-19 lockdown has caused significant delays and uncertainty.

SOUTH AMERICA

SA-092 Papegaaien Isl Markus, DJ4EL informs DX-World that he has new dates for his IOTA DXpedition to Papegaaien Island as PZ5G. He hopes to be QRV from this rare IOTA during April 2-5. Activity on 80-10m using CW and SSB.

-PZ5G grid GJ15kv (10-80 meter CW and SSB)

-PZ5GE grid GJ25kr (10-40 meter using SSB only)

More on QRZ.com

Antarctica base stations

Belgrano II Base Ramon, LU3HRS reports he is now active from Belgrano II Base, Coats Land, Antarctica during the 2020-2021 scientific research season. His exact locator is HB22qd. QRV mainly on 20m FT8-FT4-JT65 when time permits. QSL via LoTW or bureau via LU4AA.

King Se-Jong Base As part of the next scientific team, look for Lee, DS4NMJ to again be active from the King Se-Jong Korean Antarctic Base on King George Island, South Shetlands as DT8A in 2021. QRV on FT8, CW & SSB, 100w. QSL via DS5TOS. Dates to be confirmed.

Neumayer Station III Organizing an Antarctic expedition in the times of COVID19 is quite a challenge, so the German polar institute (AWI) had to find a different approach to the logistics for the upcoming Antarctic summer season. All transports will be carried out by ship directly from Germany. There is only a small team of about 20 technicians and scientists travelling to Neumayer Station, Antarctica, this year. YL Theresa (DC1TH) and Felix (DL5XL) will be part of that group.

From mid-January to mid-March 2021, DL5XL expects to be active from the research station "Neumayer III" signing DP1POL.

The ham station in Antarctica is equipped for HF and QO-100 satellite. Club call DP0GVN may also be used at times by other operators.

QSL manager for DP0POL/mm and DP0GVN is DL5EBE, QSL cards for DP1POL will be handled by DL1ZBO (direct, bureau or LotW for all call signs).

Syowa Station Takumi, JG3PLH is the operator who will be stationed at Showa Research Base, Queen Maud Land, AN-015 starting February 2021 and lasting through to January 2022. QRV as 8J1RL on HF, CW, Digital Modes. QSL via the bureau to 8J1RL, or direct to JG2MLI.

Vostok Station Alexey, RX6A is active until May 30 as RI0IANT Operation from 40 to 15 meter using CW and FT8. Operation until end May 2021. QSL via home call.

Wolf's Fang Camp Oleg ZS1ANF (UA1PBA) is currently on his way to Wolf's Fang Camp (Runway) Antarctica and hopes to again be active as ZS7ANF starting early February. There is a possibility he may also operate from Whichaway Camp too. QSL via RK1PWA.

Special calls

THE NEWCOMERS

9K, KUWAIT During the month of February, in celebration of the 60th anniversary of the country's independence, the Kuwait Amateur Radio Society (KARS) will activate special callsign **9K60NLD** (QSL via 9K2RA), and all 9K amateur radio operators will be allowed to use the special prefix **9K60** - e.g. 9K2GS will be signing 9K60GS. (TNX 425DX)

DL, GERMANY Look for **DR100JL** and **DQ100JL** from March until end May. This to mark 100 years of Junkers aviation together with **DA0FFR**, **DB0FRR**, **DF0FFR** and **DK0FFR**. <http://www.100julu.de/>

LU, ARGENTINA Special event station **L21RCA** will be active throughout 2021 to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Radio Club Argentino , the national IARU member society, which was founded on 21 October 1921. QSL via LoTW or via LU4AA (direct and bureau). (TNX 425DX)

LX, LUXEMBOURG Celebrating his 40th anniversary in amateur radio, Andy, LX1DA will be active as **LX40DA** from 1 February to 31 March, and again from 1 September to 31 December. QSL via LX1DA; the log will be uploaded to Club Log and (after the end of the year) to LoTW. (TNX 425DX)

OZ, DENMARK Special callsign **OVOJUTLANDIA** will be active from 1 February to 31 March to commemorate hospital ship Jutlandia's humanitarian expedition (1951-1953) and Denmark's contribution to the United Nations during the Korean War. QSL via Club Log's QRSS, LoTW and eQSL. (TNX 425DX)

VK, AUSTRALIA Look for **VI100AF** (March 1- May 21) and **VK100AF** (March 1-August 21). This to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Royal Australian Air Force. More on QRZ.com.

THE REMINDERS

Scuba Ham Award: underwater and on air around the world

DX Holiday introduces the SCUBA HAM AWARD, the diploma of amateur radio scuba divers, with the sponsorship of Mediterraneo DX Club. Operation on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. Activity during February.

SCUBA HAM's stations will call CQ Scuba Ham Award on phone, CQ Scuba on CW and DIGITAL. <https://www.dx-holiday.com/scuba-ham-award/>

9A, CROATIA **9A64AA** is the special callsign that Tom, 9A2AA is using until the end of the year to mark his 64th year in amateur radio. QSL via home call.

CT, PORTUGAL Valdemar, CT7AQD will be active as **CQ750RSI** throughout 2021 to commemorate the 750th anniversary of the birth of Elizabeth of Aragon (1271-1336), queen consort of Portugal and patron saint of the city of Coimbra. QSL via home call. (TNX 425DX)

DL, GERMANY DARC's local branch D13 (Maerkisches Viertel) will operate special call **DL73TXL** until end June 2021 to say goodbye to Berlin-Tegel Airport (IATA code

TXL), the main international airport of Berlin, which is expected to close permanently in early November. Along with Gatow and Tempelhof, it played a pivotal role during the Berlin Airlift (1948-1949), organized by the Western Allies to carry supplies to the people of West Berlin. (TNX 425DX)

DL, GERMANY Look for **DR165TESLA** by members of DARC OV Mainz during 2021. This to celebrate the 165th birthday of Nikola Tesla. QRV on all bands using all modes. QSL via DK8ZZ, Club Log OQRS, LoTW. Your card is not needed.

DL, GERMANY Uwe, DO2PZ will be active as **DB100AVUS** throughout 2021 to celebrate The 100th anniversary of the AVUS (Automobil-Verkehrs- und Uebungsstrasse, "Automobile traffic and training road"). Located in the south-west of Berlin and opened in 1921, it is the oldest controlled-access motorway in Europe. Until 1998, it was also used as a motor racing circuit. QSL via DO2PZ, direct or bureau. (TNX 425DX)

DL, GERMANY Special callsign **DR50AGCW** will be active throughout 2021 to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Arbeitsgemeinschaft CW DL (Activity Group CW DL). QSL via bureau. (TNX 425DX)

F, FRANCE **TM1CCA** draws attention to a charity supporting research into pediatric cancers. For exact operating times scheduled between January 30 and March 20 see qrz.com. QRV on HF on CW, SSB, RTTY, FT8, and FT4. QSL via eQSL, LoTW, Club Log. (TNX DXNL)

F, FRANCE **TM18AAW** is the special call until February 28 to celebrate the 18th Antarctic Activity Week. Operation by François F8DVD from his QTH in Maçon. The new reference for WAP program is 310. QRV from 40 to 10 meter. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. <http://www.qrz.com/db/TM18AAW>

<http://www.waponline.it>

G, ENGLAND The Hull & District Amateur Radio Society (HADARS, G3AMW, G8GBY & MOKUH) celebrates its 100th anniversary with the callsign **GB1OOH** during 2021 on 160m-70cm. Operators are Bernard/G0SWO, Bryn/M0GPN, Chris/G1WSA, John/M0JBA, Steve/M0OYR, Tony/G0WJK, and Trevor/G7IWE. QSL via GB1OOH (d/B) and eQSL. (TNX DXNL)

G, ENGLAND The British Railways Amateur Society (BRARS) celebrates its 55th anniversary as **GBOLMR** throughout the year. The group plans to get on the air also during events like Railways on the Air. QRV mainly during daytime hours on 40-10m (SSB, PSK31/63). QSL via bureau or 2E1HQY (d). (TNX DXNL)

G, ENGLAND Special callsign **GB75ISWL** will be active "on most bands and modes" throughout 2021 to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the International Short Wave League. QSL via bureau. <https://www.iswl.org.uk/> (TNX 425DX)

I, ITALY The ARI Fidenza Club (IQ4FE) issues an award "Elettra: The Miracle Ship" in 2021, drawing attention to Marconi's yacht Elettra and its significance in his radio experiments. During February, **II4BLY** marks the acquisition of the vessel by Marconi in 1919. QSL via IQ4FE. (TNX DXNL)

I, ITALY Look for **IB2ANT** during February 2021 to mark the Antarctic Activity Week with a new WAP award reference WAP-308 on the air. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via IK2QPR.

I, ITALY **II1DCC** ("Drake & Collins Collectors") is the special callsign for a "vintage activity" to be conducted until 31 December 2021. Marco, IK1RAE and other operators will use exclusively Drake and Collins pieces of equipment, and will be QRV on the HF bands (30, 17 and 12 metres excluded) SSB, CW and maybe AM. QSL via the bureau to IK1RAE. (TNX 425DX)

JA, JAPAN Look for special calls **/60** to mark the Okinawa Amateur Radio 60th Anniversary Festival Activities during 2021. All stations QRV in Okinawa Prefecture may use the suffix. <https://www.jarl.com/okinawa/>

LY, LITHUANIA **LY13LY** celebrates Lithuania's freedom and independence during January. QSL via LY8O, eQSL, Club Log. (TNX DXNL)

LZ, BULGARIA Once again Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) will use twelve special callsigns throughout 2021 to honour as many different Orthodox saints: **LZ250KG** (March), **LZ1612EN** (April), **LZ1072BG** (May), **LZ308WK** (June), **LZ950TM** (July), **LZ363ER** (August), **LZ305AI** (September), **LZ1337KM** (October), **LZ1470IN**

(November) and **LZ14MP** (December). QSL via the bureau or direct to P.O. Box 36, 4300 Karlovo, Bulgaria.

OA, PERU Celebrating the 200th anniversary of Peruvian independence, the Radio Club Peruano will activate four special callsigns until the end of the year: **OC200P** (May and September), **OC200E** (February, June and October), **OC200R** (March, July and November) and **OC200U** (April, August and December). QSLs via OA4O. (TNX 425DX)

OE, AUSTRIA **OE100BL** is the special callsign issued to the Burgenlaendischer Amateur Radio Club for celebrating throughout 2021 the 100th anniversary since Burgenland became an Austrian state. QSL via OE4JHW. Individual operators may also apply for OE100 to replace their prefix (e.g. OE4EIE will be signing OE100EIE). An award will be available, (TNX 425DX)

OH, FINLAND Look for **OH100SRAL** during 2021, this to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Finnish Amateur Radio League (SRAL). QSL via LoTW or bureau (early 2022).

PA, THE NETHERLANDS Hans, PA7HPH will be using Covid-19 special callsign **PC19HOPE** from January 15 to March 10. See qrz.com for more information about this activity. QSL via PA7HPH (bureau preferred) and eQSL. (TNX 425DX)

PA, THE NETHERLANDS Roel, PD0OYF is active as **PD112MKNN** until February 14, and especially on 11 February. The special callsign's suffix stands for Meld Kamer Noord Nederland, the Control Center Northern Netherlands located in Drachten. 11 February is European 112 Day, when emergency services remind citizens of the importance of "112", the European emergency number available free of charge, 24/7, anywhere in the EU member states as well as other European countries (<https://eena.org/>). QSL via the bureau.

PA, THE NETHERLANDS The special event station **PA21BP** operates during February around the Scouts' Thinking Day on the Air. QSL via PA3EFR (d/B). (TNX DXNL)

SM, SWEDEN During 2021, **SD400SU** celebrates the 400th anniversary of the city Sundsvall. Operators are the members of the Sundsvall Amateur Radio Club (SK3BG). QSL via SM3NXS (d/B), Club Log OQRS. (TNX DXNL)

SP, POLAND **HF100LEM**, operating from Krakow, marks the 100th birthday of the Polish writer Stanislaw Lem during 2021. QSL via SP9PKZ. (TNX DXNL)

SP, POLAND SP1DPA, SP1EG, SP1MGM, SQ1PSA and SQ3PMX are active as **SQ0MORSE** until end April to commemorate the 230th anniversary of the birth of Samuel F.B. Morse (1791-1872). QSL via SP1EG. (TNX 425DX)

SV, GREECE 200 Years of Greek Independence Award On air during 2021.

The Greek War of Independence, also known as the Greek Revolution (Greek: Ελληνική Επανάσταση, Elliniki Epanastasi; referred to by Greeks in the 19th century as simply the Αγώνας, Agonas, "Struggle", was a successful war of independence waged by Greek revolutionaries against the Ottoman Empire between 1821 and 1830. Any Greek station, foreigners Greeks or friends of Greece all over the world may join "200 Years of Greek Independence Award". All mode and types of QSO are valid. Award manager is SV2RCK. <https://sv2rck.gr/200YEARS/>

SV, GREECE Nine multi-operator special event stations - namely SX1A, SX2A, SX3A, SX4A, SX5A (Dodecanese), SX6A, SX7A, SX8A and SX9A (Crete) - will be active during the countdown to the 200th anniversary of the "Agonas" (the Struggle), the Greek Revolution of 1821 which led to the formation of modern Greece. The countdown will start at -99 days to the actual celebration day (25 March 2021), and a serial number will be appended to each special callsign as follows:

04-13 February from SX4A/49 to SX4A/40

14-23 February from SX3A/39 to SX3A/30

24 February-05 March from SX2A/29 to SX2A/20

06-15 March from SX1A/19 to SX1A/10

16 March SX9A/9

17 March SX8A/8

18 March SX7A/7

19 March SX6A/6

20 March SX5A/5

21 March SX4A/4
22 March SX3A/3
23 March SX2A/2
24 March SX1A/1

The serial numbers will be dropped only on 25 March. QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, eQSL, or direct to SV2GWY. An award will be available, see qrz.com's entry for any of the special callsigns. (TNX 425DX)

TI, COSTA RICA On September 15, 2021, the Bicentennial of the Independence of Costa Rica will be celebrated with great fanfare. In commemoration of such an important and historical event, a team of radio amateurs will be activating the special call sign

TI2ØØI to celebrate 200 years of independent life of Costa Rica.

The goal is to make Costa Rican independence known to the world with pride on its Bicentennial. Activation until October 29.

Bands – 6 to 80m (+ 2m).

Modes – SSB, CW and FT8 (+ FM).

Contacts will be confirmed via LotW, QRZ & QSL manager.

The team of operators will be announced soon.

UR, UKRAINE Nikolay UX0FF celebrates his 50th year on the air with the callsign

EO5OFF during 2021. QSL via UX0FF direct or bureau, LoTW, eQSL.

UR, UKRAINE Special calls **EM150PLU**, **EN150PLU** and **EO150PLU** are active during 2021 to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the birth of Lesya Ukrainka (1871-1913), one of Ukrainian literature's foremost writers. QSL via operator's instructions. (TNX 425DX)

UR, UKRAINE Look for **EN100LT** to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Kharkiv Theater for Children and Youth. Operation until end March. QSL via UT5LU.

VR, HONG KONG As one of the most popular icons in modern history, the legendary martial arts master Bruce Lee still inspires people worldwide more than 47 years after his passing. His great achievements transcend territories, time and disciplines. His charisma radiated from the silver screen, his prowess amazed the martial arts community, his profound legacy lives on forever in the hearts of people. To salute the all-time superstar, Hong Kong 1555th Kowloon Group (VR2CS) presents a Special Event call **VR2BLEE** operated by Igor VR2ZQZ.

ZL, NEW ZEALAND Celebrating the club's centenary, the Radio Society of Christchurch (ZL3AC) will be active as **ZL100RSC** throughout February. The first club meeting took place on 15 February 1921. QSL via operator's instructions. (TNX 425DX)

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